

Harding Admits Cox Figures: Harding Leaves Porch

HARDING PLEDGES TO WHICH HE COMMITTS HIMSELF AND PARTY.

Outlines Agricultural Policies
Senator Harding's speech was devoted to agricultural matters, and among his hearers were thousands of farmers from the great wheat belt of the north-west. America, the senator declared, has reached the fork of the road with regard to agriculture. From a distinctly rural nation sixty years ago, we have turned into an industrial nation wherein 70 per cent. of the people dwell in cities and the other 30 per cent. on the farm.

"We are rapidly approaching the zero mark from the standpoint of agricultural supplies to the world," said Senator Harding. "The time is almost with us when our exports of farm products will exceed the imports."

"The time has come when, as a nation, we must determine upon a definite agricultural policy. We must decide whether we shall undertake to make the United States a self-sustaining nation, which means that we shall grow within our own boundaries all the staple food products needed to maintain the highest type of civilization, or whether we shall continue to exploit our agricultural resources for the benefit of our industrial and commercial life, and leave to posterity the task of finding enough food, by strong-arm methods, if necessary, to support the coming hundreds of millions."

Believes in Self-Reliant Nation.
"I believe in the self-sustaining, independent, self-reliant nation, agriculturally, industrially and politically. We are then the guarantors of our own security and are equal to the task."

Senator Harding asserted that he had not thought of the government's working out an elaborate system of agriculture, and then imposing it upon the farmers of the country. "That would be utterly impossible," he said.

"Government paternalism to which agriculture or to any of our great national industries would strangle the initiative of the farmer, and make us a nation of dependent incompetents."

He gave farmers a larger representation in governmental affairs. He granted farmers the right to form co-operative associations to market their products. He reduced abnormal fluctuations of prices in farm products. The reduction of the tariff on farm products to a scientific study of this problem. He put an end to uncertain price fixing of farm products and to ill-considered efforts to artificially reduce farm product prices.

BLACK BY TRACK; DEAD

Fatal Accident at Sale Creek.
Fred McCree, of Soddy, Victim.

FLOYD SMITH IS INJURED
Way to Tame the Boche

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Mayor MacSwiney Is "Terribly Worn Out"

London, Sept. 8.—(L. N. S.)—At 7 o'clock this morning the British prison authorities are given a bulletin regarding the condition of Terence MacSwiney, hunger striker for the mayor of Cork. Unofficially it was added, however, that the prisoner was terribly worn out.

POUND REFUND TO COST \$10,000

Judge Conner Thinks Bill Reimbursing Ex-Service Men Unconstitutional.

County Judge Sam A. Conner stated Wednesday that he would call on County Attorney S. Barlow Brannan an opinion before taking any steps toward refunding 1918 and 1919 poll taxes to ex-service men, as was provided for in house bill No. 2, which was passed by the legislature last week.

The county judge is of the opinion that the refunding of the poll taxes is unconstitutional. In case the courts hold otherwise, however, the county must refund the tax. Judge Conner stated it would be necessary to have the bill amended to provide sufficient fund, estimated at \$10,000, to carry out the provisions of the bill.

Hamilton county is not immediately affected by house bill No. 45 exempting county bonds from taxation, Judge Conner stated.

Only fifteen general bills were passed by the special session of the Tennessee legislature at Nashville last week. One of particular Chattanooga interest. This was the bill to exempt municipal bonds from taxation. The bill was passed by a vote of 37 to 10.

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REDS CAPTURE OMSK ONCE MORE

Kalmikoff, Antisoviet Leader, Shot in Rice Field While Attempting to Escape

SOVIETS GAIN IN SIBERIA
Lithuanians Threaten to Join With Bolsheviks Unless Poles Consent to Terms.

Harbin, Manchuria, Sept. 8.—(A. P.)—Soviet forces, aided by German and Hungarian war prisoners, have recaptured Omsk, where as a result of the capture of the city, the passport recently overthrown the soviet. The bolsheviks also are in possession of the northern portion of the railway area, which fighting has been proceeding, but they are isolated and without food.

Chinese Kill Anti-Red.
Pekin, Sept. 8.—(A. P.)—Gen. Kalmikoff, former assistant of Gen. Semenov in command of the anti-soviet forces opposing the soviet troops in the far eastern provinces of Siberia, has been killed by Chinese soldiers in a rice field near the station of Yalchi, Manchuria, after firing on the guard and attempting to escape, according to advices received today at Peking. The Chinese border in February after a revolutionary expedition from Vladivostok and Nikolayevsk, and had since been hiding.

The Chinese surrounded the field in which Gen. Kalmikoff was hiding, whereupon the fugitive broke cover firing a revolver which he had snatched from a Chinese soldier leaping from a train near Yalchi.

Lithuanian Threat.
Washington, Sept. 8.—An official report received in diplomatic circles today said Gen. Zukas, commanding the Lithuanian army, had served notice on the Lithuanian government that unless Lithuania territorial claims were accepted, Lithuania would cooperate with the Russian bolsheviks against Poland.

The answer made by the Polish officers was not reported. The Lithuanian government had been reported to have expressed the hope that these negotiations would be brief. Polish reports, however, indicated that the negotiations were not proceeding favorably.

Germans and Reds Aid Lithuanians.
Warsaw, Sept. 8.—(A. P.)—Conditions along the Lithuanian front are becoming more serious daily, and according to latest reports, the Poles and Lithuanians are retreating significantly across the improved frontier. In one action twenty Lithuanian officers and 200 men were killed. The Lithuanians are aided by the Germans and the Reds.

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LIQUORS RECEIVE DIVORCE FROM NAVY

Order Prohibits Issue to Naval Vessels Even for Medical Uses.

Washington, Sept. 8.—Spiritous liquors received their final and complete divorce from the United States navy today when the navy department issued an order prohibiting their issue to naval vessels for medical purposes.

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SCHOOL WILL SUE TOWN FOR DEATH OF STUDENT

Milford, Conn., Sept. 8.—Dr. Samuel Rosenbaum, head of the Milford Preparatory school, today announced that the school authorities would sue the town of Milford as a result of the shooting of Spencer B. Doughton, a student of the school, last night by Police Douglas, who, with Chief of Police Maher and another officer, were attempting to break up a "polka party" of school students. Libby's wound is in the fleshy part of the leg and is not serious.

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COX FIGURES: HARRIS CORRECT

Gov. Cox's Figures Are After \$15,000,000 Fund Gains Substantiation in Testimony of "Quotas" by Several Witnesses at Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 8.—Gov. Cox's "quota" figures on the amount the republicans sought to raise in Cleveland, O., were substantiated and an admission made that the national committee had sought to raise more than Georgia's \$25,000 quota when the senate committee investigating campaign expenditures resumed its hearing today.

Dudley S. Blossom, one of the leaders in the Cleveland fund-raising drive, testified the Cuyahoga county quota was fixed at \$400,000, although the testimony of Fred W. Upham, republican national treasurer, fixed the goal for the entire state of Ohio at \$400,000 for the national committee and \$250,000 for state purposes.

Substantiates Cox's Charges.
This was the first direct testimony in substantiation of Gov. Cox's charges that a vast money-getting organization had been formed by the republican party to obtain funds for campaign purposes. Blossom said he was one of the "regional directors" of this solicitation committee.

C. W. McClure, of Atlanta, Ga., said Mr. Upham sent to him last month with a letter stating that Mr. Taylor was delegated to raise more money in that state. Mr. McClure quoted Dr. J. C. Stockbridge, of Atlanta, who assisted him, as saying Mr. Taylor had told Dr. Stockbridge that he wanted to raise \$25,000.

Mr. Blossom said they actually raised \$74,000 in Cuyahoga county and Mr. McClure said his committee obtained pledges of about \$11,000 in Cleveland, Georgia, on which \$6,015.75 had been paid.

A prolonged effort was made by Senator Reed to bring out through questions asked Blossom that, in the formation of this money raising organization in Cleveland, Mr. Taylor was not a member of the national committee.

Blossom steadfastly proclaimed that he knew nothing of any such organization that in operation in Cleveland. He said that A. A. Proctor, whom Edmund H. Moore yesterday testified was a member of the republican committee, asked him to take the post and raise \$25,000 for the national committee, promising that a cash check would be turned to the state committee in Kentucky.

Money in Kentucky.
The first was H. G. Garrett, of Winchester, Ky., chairman of that state's republican party and means committee. He said that Henry Owen, of the staff of Fred Upham, treasurer of the national republican committee, asked him to take the post and raise \$25,000 for the national committee, promising that a cash check would be turned to the state committee in Kentucky.

Walter S. Dickey, chairman of the republican party and means committee in Missouri, was asked yesterday afternoon to testify concerning the raising of campaign funds in his state. Dickey's report was that the testimony of National Treasurer Upham having loaned \$25,000 to the republican committee, with Mr. Upham and Wm. Boyce Thompson, regarding the raising of necessary funds but which had been asked to raise or the republican party in Missouri or any other state.

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INSURGENT COAL MINERS BITTER

Picket Lines Are Established. Union Leaders Hopeful Strike May Be Broken.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 8.—(L. N. S.)—Insurgent miners are showing their determination to wage their strike on bitter lines. Sheriff John MacLusky reported that the miners have established picket lines in Hudson Plains and these pickets are said to be in charge of the miners' strike.

Because this was a church holiday the sheriff did not make any attempt to break up the picket lines. He said that the miners were determined to continue their strike.

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REPORTS OF CHANGES IN MEXICAN CABINET DENIED

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TERMS OF NEW FRENCH LOAN ARE ANNOUNCED

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MANY QUIT BEFORE HOUR SET FOR STRIKE

Conciliators Still Trying to Adjust Differences in Alabama Coal Fields.

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 8.—While thousands of men were expected to quit their jobs today, many more quit before the hour set for the strike. Conciliators are still trying to adjust differences in the Alabama coal fields.

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EDITOR ADMITS POKING FUN AT TEXAS GUARD

Fun at Texas Guard

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STEEPEN SICKNESS

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